BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for rate increase in Pasco County by Utilities, Inc.

DOCKET NO. 910020-WS ORDER NO. 24540 ISSUED: 5-15-91

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST OF UTILITIES, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF A COMBINED NOTICE FOR RATES AND SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES

BY THE COMMISSION:

By Motion filed April 19,1991, Utilities, Inc. (UIF), requested approval to combine customer notices required for proposed rates and service availability charges in this pending rate case docket. Rules 25-22.0406(5) and 25-30.565(2)(b) and (d), Florida Administrative Code, have different requirements for notice. Rule 25-22.0406(5), Florida Administrative Code, requires that notice of increased service rates begin within thirty days after the rate case time schedule has been mailed to the utility. Rule 25-30.565(2), Florida Administrative Code, requires that notice of changes to service availability charges begin no later than the filing of the application. UIF has begun noticing pursuant to the service availability charge notice rule by noticing governmental officials. The request of UIF is for approval to notice customers of the rate increase application and the service availability charges change in the same notice.

We find UIF's request reasonable and in the public interest because the resulting combined notice to customers will provide sufficient and timely notice, and it will avoid unnecessary duplication and additional mailing expense.

Based upon the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by Commissioner Michael Mck. Wilson Prehearing Officer, that the motion by Utilities, Inc. requesting approval of a combined notice for rates and service availability charges, as set forth in the body of this Order, is hereby granted.

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By ORDER of Commissioner Michael Mck. Wilson, as Prehearing Officer, this 15th day of May , 1991.

MICHAEL MCK. WILSON, Commissioner and Prehearing Officer

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

Any party adversely affected by this order, which is preliminary, procedural or intermediate in nature, may request: 1) reconsideration within 10 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.038(2), Florida Administrative Code, if issued by a Prehearing Officer; 2) reconsideration within 15 days pursuant to Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code, if issued by the Commission; or 3) judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court, in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility, or the First District Court of Appeal, in the case of a water or sewer utility. A motion for reconsideration shall be filed with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting, in the form prescribed by Rule 25-22.060, Florida Administrative Code. Judicial review of a preliminary, procedural or intermediate ruling or order is available if review of the final action will not provide an adequate remedy. Such review may be requested from the appropriate court, as described above, pursuant to Rule 9.100, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.